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**To:** Microsoft ATR  
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**Subject:** Microsoft Settlement

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing you today to express my opinion in regards to the settlement that was reached in November between Microsoft and the government. I support Microsoft in this dispute, and I believe this settlement will contribute to the economy and society.

This settlement contains provisions that not only allows Microsoft to devote its resources to designing and marketing its innovative software, but this settlement will also have a positive impact on competing companies. Competing companies will benefit from receiving more information from Microsoft about software, and companies can sue Microsoft if they feel the company is not complying with the agreement. Microsoft has also agreed to be monitored by a technical oversight committee. Microsoft has also agreed fully to carry out this agreement, for the sake of ending this three-year litigation.

During a time when there are so many issues facing us today, I believe we should rally up our energy and time into dealing with more pressing concerns.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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